Russian nation never to surrender. If for any reason a final sortie proves to be impossible, the admi-ral is to destroy his ships and to make certain that their wreckage shall be absolutely irreparable.

provised bomproofs and souch other

places of shelter as they can find, which are at best but ineffective, and it is certain that many of them

the fort finally surrenders or is destroyed by its own troops, accord-

There are still seven Russian war

ships in the harbor in addition to

torpedo boats and torpedo boat de

boats are in is not known, but some of them are in fighting trim, and it is for them to make the final

THE SITUATION.

Port Arthur Stands, But Its

Plight Is Desperate-Kuro-

patkin Little Better Off.

By PAUL LAMBERT.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.

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LONDON, Aug. 20.—Up to this

writing Port Arthur has not been captured, so iar as any news received here indicates. The fighting there has been continuous for

tifled place, which has been so des

have attempted the task, which No-gie has undertaken, the storming of one of the strongest fortresses

in the world, the best military opinion here is that the Japanese are wise in following this course.

be lost in the assault than would

be the case if the place was taken after a long siege, while the advant-

age to the Japanese campaign in being able to use for other purposes the splendid army engaged in the reduction of Port Arthur, will more

The news that the Russians have abandoned their advanced position

at An-Shan-Chan was not unex-pected. It has been evident that

Kuropatkin did not intend to fight south of Liao Yang, nor there if it can be avoided.

as an indication of the final concen-

or make a desperate struggle for life, if this is found to be necessary.

tional Japanese, who will be re-leased by the fall of Port Arthur. British shippers are bringing pressure to bear on the government to

secure an early settlement of the questions as to what constitute con-

traband, and as to the rights of neu-tral merchant ships. The present unsettled condition of these ques-tions has proved extremely injuri-

loss, if there is any.

ing to orders from the Czar.

be killed and wounded before

What condition these

and are as [Ollows:
First—The payment of \$600,000,000 indemnity.
Second—The cession of Manchuria to demnity.

Second—The cession of Manchuria to
China and the opening of the Manchurian
ports to all the world.

Third—A complete and permanent surrender of Port Arthur, as well as all
the other territory on the Liao Tung

Fourth-The cession of Saghalien Isl-

Fourth—The cession of Saghallen Island, as well as the valuable fisheries appertaining thereto.

Fifth—The retirement of Russia from all Eastern Siberia, as far as Mukden.

Mr. Kangin insits that Japan must not yield on any of these points, especially the one regarding retirement beyond Mukden. He takes it for granted that Russia will not make much objection to any of the conditions except the last, but he thinks she must be forced to agree even to that one. dash for freedom or destruction when the last guns are booming in the siege of Port Arthur.

GRAND ASSAULT.

Fighting Is Taking Place All Along the Line.

(By Associated Press.)

CHE FOO, August 29-4 P. M.—H. H.

Ijuin, the Japanese consul-general at

Tien Tsin, who arrived here to-day on
the British steamer Pechili, and who had
a conversation lasting forty minutes with
the commander of a Japanese torpedu
boat destroyer which overhauled the
steamer off Lioti promontory last night,
says to-day's battle, which began at daybreak, is directed against the fortress
ittelf.

It is taking place along the entire Mac. the past three days, and it is doubtful if the history of warfare shows a more determined assault on a for-

itself.

It is taking place along the entire line, and it is Japan's supreme effort, to which the recent battles were but preliminary contests He added:

"I firmly believe that you can safel," While no figures have been received as to the losses, they must be enormous. While it is doubtful if any European commander would

say that Port Arthur will soon be in our hands. One after the other of the outer defenses have been taken by the Japanese and when the latter had completed their preparations for the grand assault, General Stoessel was asked to surrender. He refused. Now comes the final test.".

Occupy Anshanshan.

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, August 20—4 P. M.—The Japanese troops occupied Anshanshan yesterday, and the Russians have retreated to-

EXPECT TO HAVE SHIPS.

reduction of Port Arthur, will more than compensate for the additional Japs Look to Capture of Russian Squadron Now in Port Arthur.

This concentration can be taken tration at Liao Yang preliminary to a general retreat to Mukden or Harbin, if it can be safely effected

(By Associated Press.)

TSINGTAU, August 20, 4 P. M.—The Japanese protected cruiser Yaeyama has just anchored here and landed Major Hoffman, the German military attache who was at Port Arthur. The major left the fortress in a junk at the German Emperor's orders. The Jauanese cruiser picked lim up thirty miles out, and, it is reported, confiscated his papers. Major Hoffman's personal bagesge was left on the junk.

The correspondent of the Associated Press here was received on board the Yaayama by Captain Dishiyama. The latter, however, was not disposed to talk of the war, beyond saying that the Japanese have been successful in the recent fights off Port Arthur, He further declared that the Japanese expected to have the Russian warships now at Port Arthur in their hands in a day or two.

The Yaeyama left his port at 150 P. M. Kuropatkin now has nothing to gain by delay. In a short time he may have to deal with 75,000 addi-

PORT ARTHUR ATTACK.

Reported to be Unsuccessful,

the Russian forts and the long lines of entrenched troops lying between them are much less. The sketch shows, on the left, Wolf hills, Takushan and Liaouti fort, which were taken by the Japanese after desperate fighting, and with great loss on both sides. The extreme range from these points to the city is six miles. Reports show that for days past the Japanese have been sending a rain of shell upon the beleaguered enemy.

By courtesy of The North American, Philadelphia. haif the first-class reserves of European Russia have now been called out and practically all the reserves in Siberia.

JAPANESE STATEMENT.

The Government Defines Its Position in Regard to Chinese Neutrality.

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, August 20-6 P. M.-The Japan ese government to-day gave to the Associated Press a statement defining its attitude in the capture of the Ryeshiteln, and declaring its position on the entire question of Chinese neutrality, which

says:
"The Japanese government held that says:
"The Japanese government held that China's neutrality is imperfect and applicable only to those places which are not occupied by the armed forces of either helligerent, and Russia cannot escape the consequences of an unsuccessful war by moving its army or navy into these portions of China which, by arrangement, had been made conditionally neutral.

"A Russian warship from Port Arthur sought in the harbor of Che Foo asylum from attack which her home had ceased to afford her. In taking that step she was guilty of a breach of the neutrality of China, as established by the agreement of the belitgerents, and Japan was fully justified in regarding the harbor of Che Foo as belitgerent so far as the

of China, as established by the agreement of the belligerents, and Japan was fully justified in regarding the harbor of the Foo as belligerent so far as the incident in question is concerned.

"With the termination of the incident the neutrality of the port was revived. The action taken by Japan at the Foo was a direct natural consequence of Russia's disregard of her engagement.

"The Japanese government has no intention of disregarding China's neutrality so long as it is respected by Russia, but they cannot consent that Russian warships, as a result of a broken engagement and a violated neutrality, shall unchallenged find in the harbors of China safe refuge from capture or destruction.

"The statement of the commander of the Ryeshiteini, that his ship was disarmed upon arrival at the Foo, is untrue. The vessel was fully armed and manned when visited."

THREE DAYS' ASSAULT.

Japs Prepared to Keep Sixty Thousand Men Steadily Fighting.

(By Associated Press.)

CHE FOO, August 21.—It is reported Japanese plans at Port Arthur contemplate a three days' assault. They expect to triumph on the third day. It is stated they have a sufficient force to maintain an assaulting force or sixiv thousand men throughout.

Four thousand Japanese are reported to have landed at Dainy resterday. It is alleged that the check of Saturday does not jeopardize the passage of the assault as planned.

Must Leave or Disarm.

to ascertain the whereabouts of the Jap-

Wakefield Shoot.

BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF THE INVESTMENT OF PORT ARTHUR The lines of the besiegers have drawn so close to the defenses of the city that the Japanese are able to

fire over the circle of Russian forts and drop shells into the city itself and on the warships in the harbor. The ranges from the Japanese land batteries and the fleet are from four to six miles to the city, and the ranges to

Wakefield Shoot.
WAKEFIELD, VA., August 20.—The
Wakefield Gun Club met yesterday afternoon for their regular weekly shoot.
The following is the score fhade, each
having twenty-five shots:
Mr. J. E. Richardson, 11, Mr. J. M.
White, 12; Mr. E. W. Scarborough, 21;
Mr. J. A. Mahoney, 18; Mr. M. W. Gates,
24; Mr. O. H. Baird (visitor), 14; Mr. J.
F. Rawles, 16; Mr. W. P. Cannon, 16.

TOWN OF PORT ARTHUR

Cruisers Heard From.

(By Associated Press.)
MUKDEN, August 20.—The Russian cruiser Novik has entered the harbor of Korsakovsk, Island of Sakhalin, and the Russian cruiser Diana, recently sighted off Hong Kong, has arrived at Salgon, French Indo China.

THE DULANEY CASE.

Interesting Question As to the License Law in Greene.

License Law in Greene.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

STANARDSVILLE, VA., August 20.—A
great deal of interest has been awakened
in Greene county by the efforts of Dr.
E. W. islims, treasurer, and Mr. S. T.
Deane, commissioner of the revenue, to
enforce section 136 of the license tax
laws against Dulancy Brothers.

The facts are as follows: Dulancy
Brothers, a firm doing a general intercantile business at Ruckersville, Va. secured the agency for the international
Harvester Company of America, and, as
such, made a canvass of the county.

cured the agency for the International Harvester Company of America, and, as such, made a curvass of the county, Commissioner Denne Issued a license to them under section 12% of the license tax law (Acts of Assembly 1992-3-4), and, they refusing to pay the same, the treasurer levied on one of their wagons, advertised it for sale, but was prevented from selling the same by an injunction granted by Judge Grinnan, of Richmond. In the injunction bill Dulancy Brothers claim that they are the agents of the International Harvester Company of America, and mercily solicited orders for the same, which orders were sent to the home office in Chicago for approval, and if there approved, the article ordered was shipped to purchaser in Greenc. Therefore, they say that they are protected by the International Harvester Company of America, and answer to the bill, In the answer the defendants say that it is true that Dulancy Brothers are agents for the International Harvester Company of America, but they emphatically deny that the contracts are sent to the home office for approval, and demand a strict proof of the same. The plaintiffs are represented by Cabell & Cabell, of Richimond, The Interest of Greene will be looked after by Commonwealth Attorney Hon, John T. Bray, assisted by E. D. Ott, Esq.

The carnest efforts of Dr. Sims and

Ott. Esq.
The earnest efforts of Dr. Sims and
Mr. Deane to see that the revenue laws are
not violated is receiving the commendation of all of the best citizens.

CITY MARSHAL KILLED.

Negro Shoots Him Down and Is Himself Riddled With Bullets.

Reported to be Unsuccessful, trail merchant ships. The present unsettled condition of these questions has proved extremely injurious to British export trade with the far East and shipping interests are anxious to have them settled with the least possible delay. The government will act with all possible delay. The government will act with all possible dispatch.

HEAVY INDEMNITY.

The Demands That Japan Will Make on Russia When War Ends.

War Ends.

(By Associated Press.)

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CLEVELAND MAY BE

Week Notable Socially Outside

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(Special to The Times-Dispated.)

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morning toilettes of the participants.

Another equally handsome german was that given on Thursday evening by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Simonds, of Charleston, S. C., Mr. Palne again leading. Before the latter german dinners were given by Mr. Henderson, of Richmond, and Mr. and Mrs. Courtiand Smith, of Alexandria, Va.

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my's Reminiscences. The state of a card party to be given to-morrow morning by Mrs. Jacques M. Boyle, of Baltimore, and for a champagne fete upon the lawn, given in the afternoon by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Paine and Mr. and Mrs. John W. Grent, of Atlanta.

STARTLING SURPRISE.

Few Guessed That Such Nego-

tiations Were on. The announcement of the purchase by the Ryan-Biajr-Collidge-Shepard syndicate of the interest of the Messrs. Williams and of J. William Middendorf, respectedly in this city shortly after 1 A. M. to-day, was a startling surprise. If any such negotiations were in progress up to yesterday when the board of directors of the railway met in New York, the secret was so carefully guarded that ne hint of it was allowed to leak out. While details of the surprising coun were not received, it is believed that the deal was effected quickly and even unexpectedly to some of the parties concerned, Mr. John Skeiton Williams, who went to New York to attend the meeting of the Board, of which he is chairman, was in Baltimore last night. Efforts were made to reach him and secure some information as to the terms of the stock sale, if possible, but without avail. It was universally known that another syndicate with neudomarters in Baltimore, was endeavoring to collect and pool the stock until a controlling interest was secured. That fact, doubriless, bastened the New York deal, Messrs, Williams and Mr. Aliddendorf owned 140,000 of the 500,000 shares of the common and preferred stocks. It has been announced that Messrs, Williams and Mr. Middendorf owned 140,000 of the \$00,000 shares of the common whether or not they secured their price on had to accept a compramise figure could not be learned this morning, but the lister theory is considered ine more probable.

Young Man's Life Problems,

The xyone men's meetings at the Cem-The announcement of the purchase by

FATAL RIOT IN THE STOCK YARDS

CHICAGO, August 20.—During a riot in the stock yards to-night one man was shot and instantly killed and three other men were injured by buillets. The dead and wounded are:

ANDREW NEBROUTSKI, shot in the center of the forehead; ded immediately.

HARRY HANSON, slightly wounded in abdomen.

been fired from the third coach near the center of the car, and this car the Lieutenant and his men onte-ed first. As the policemen entered the car they found the occupants in a pante and nearly every man had some kind or a weapon conceeded about him. A man giving the name of Oley Everett was arrested on a charge of having done the shooting. A revolver, with the barrel still warm, and containing three empty shells, was found upon him. Albort Johnson and John Galkia were also taken into custody. They are held chiefly as witnesses.

Hanover Protracted Meetings.

whether or not they secured their price and some race sup or had to accept a compromise figure or had to accept a compromise figure and some some could not be learned this morning, but the latter theory is considered the more probable.

The young Man's Life Problems, and in the young men's meetings at the Central Young Men's Christian Association are proving of unusual interest and help corn in a fall the corn in the services. This afternoon at 330 o'clock, and the services. This afternoon at A Toung Man's Life Problems, the services. This afternoon a Taylor of the services. This afternoon a Taylor of the Man's Wilking Co.

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